

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 88 - HB 425

February 27, 2013

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Department of Education (DOE) to review all security measures currently in place at the local and state level to prevent security breaches of standardized tests administered in kindergarten through twelfth grade. Requires the State Board of Education to assist as requested by DOE. Requires DOE to report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly before the second Tuesday in January 2014.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$220,000/One-Time

Assumptions:

- According to DOE, 30 to 50 sites are audited annually during the spring TCAP testing.
- All 1,800 testing sites will be audited to fully review security measures.
- It is reasonably estimated that existing staff will be able to audit 40 testing sites and that the remaining 1,760 sites will be reviewed through a contractual arrangement with an outside vendor.
- DOE estimates that each contracted security auditor will make four site visits per day for a total of 440 days.
- DOE estimates that each contracted security auditor will be paid \$500 per day.
- The one-time increase in state expenditures is estimated to be \$220,000 (440 x \$500).

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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